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MOSCOW, BERLIN ALL NATO CAPITALS UNNUMBERED.AT NOV 6 MEETING OF POLADS EIGHT DELS HAD GOVERNMENT REACTIONS TO
US REQUEST THAT NATO COUNTRIES DENY OVERFLIGHT AND LANDING RIGHTS
FOR BLOC AIRCRAFT IN CUBA TRAFFIC.

UK POSITION CIRCULATED IN WRITING PRIOR TO MEETING WAS
FAIRLY TYPICAL OF REACTIONS RECEIVED. IT STATES 1) UK NOT PREPARED
TO INTERFERE WITH SCHEDULED SERVICES ALREADY AGREED (I. E. WEEKLY
CZECH FLIGHT TO CUBA WHICH OVERFLIES UK AS DOES AIR CUBANA SCHEDULED
SERVICE HAVANA-PRAGUE); HOWEVER ARTICLE 35 OF CHICAGO CONVENTION
ENTITLES UK TO BE SATISFIED FLIGHTS OVER OR THROUGH UK ARE NOT
CARRYING MUNITIONS OF WAR AND THEREFORE APPLICATIONS FROM POLES
OR CZECHS FOR TECHNICAL STOP OR OVERFLIGHTS FOR NON-SCHEDULED FLIGHTS
WOULD BE GRANTED ONLY SUBJECT TO AIRCRAFT LANDING AND SUBMITTING TO
SEARCH; 3) EXCEPT FOR SOVIET AIRCRAFT CARRYING VIPS, UK WILL
CONTINUE TO DENY FACILITIES TO FLIGHTS OF BLOC COUNTRIES NOT
PARTY TO RELEVANT MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS. UK ALSO NOTED CANADIAN
DECISION ANNOUNCED OCT 24 TO SEARCH CZECH AND CUBAN AIRCRAFT
WHICH STOP IN CANADA WOULD APPLY TO SCHEDULED AIR SERVICES WHICH ONLY
OVERFLY UK AND LAND AT GANDER.

BELGIAN NOTED REGULAR CZECH SERVICE TO CUBA DOES NOT OVERFLY BELGIUM
ALL REQUESTS FROM BLOC COUNTRIES, EXCEPT CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND POLAND
(ICAO MEMBERS), WOULD RECEIVE SAME DENIAL AS USSR. IF CZECHS OR
POLES SHOULD REQUEST REGULAR OR NON-SCHEDULED FLIGHT TO CUBA
BELGIANS WOULD USE EVERY MEANS TO DELAY.

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CANADA RECALLED THEIR DECLARATION STATING CZECH AND CUBAN FLIGHTS ARE SUBJECT TO SEARCH.

FRANCE, FRG AND NETHERLANDS NOTED AGREEMENT TO US REQUEST. GREECE WILL DENY REQUESTS FROM NON-ICAO MEMBERS AND DELAY OTHERS. ICELAND WAS WITHOUT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS BUT ON BASIS PREVIOUS GOVT POSITION FELT CZECH AND POLISH REQUESTS WOULD BE DELAYED, ALL OTHER BLOC REQUESTS DENIED.

DENMARK, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, NORWAY, PORTUGAL AND TURKEY WERE WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS.

NETHERLANDS COMMENTED SURINAM HAD DECIDED TO REFUSE OVERLIGHTS AND LANDINGS BY SOVIET BLOC AND CUBA AIRCRAFT AND THAT DUTCH ANTILLES CONSIDERING SIMILAR ACTION.

FROM SWEDISH SOURCES IN MOSCOW, NORWAY REPORTED THERE HAD BEEN TU-114 FLIGHT TO CUBA OCT 18 STOPPING AT DAKAR. FRENCH SAID SENEGALES GOVT, TAKEN BY SUPRISE, HAD ALLOWED THIS FLIGHT. FRENCH HAVE MADE DEMARCHES TO ALL UAM STATES ADVISING DENIAL SOVIET FLIGHTS. SENEGALESE HAVE SINCE AGREED TO REFUSE SOVIET FLIGHTS.

AT CONCLUSION OF DISCUSSION US REP OUTLINED STATUS OF US POLICY RE SHIPPING TO CUBA AS SET FORTH DEPCIRCTEL 810.

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